



# Weekend/Evening Kids Action Network (W/E KAN) Volunteer Program



## May 2005

### Why should YOU volunteer?

To meet your Student Service Learning or Community Service requirements, to have fun, to learn new skills, to meet new people, to improve your resume, to leave the world a better place than you found it, to reconnect with your community, and maybe to even learn more about yourself!

The **W/E KAN Volunteer Program** provides supervised, group student service learning and community service projects to middle and high school students. This program is intended to promote a healthy attitude toward volunteering, to give youth a connection to their community, and to provide youth with a positive and rewarding pastime. All W/E KAN Volunteer participants receive a free T-shirt and Student Service Learning hours. Youth may participate in both W/E and W/E KAN Volunteer projects (provided that they meet the minimum age requirements set by the non-profit agency). You can learn more at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteer](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteer)



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### W/E KAN #1. Help Prepare for the Washington Folk Festival!

Sunday, May 29 12:00PM - 3:00PM  
Volunteers are needed to help get ready for the Washington Folk Festival which will have over 450 musicians, dancers and crafts people. Volunteers will wash tents, repair equipment, build stages, set up tents and more.

Min. Age: 13 Max # of Volunteers: 10  
Location: Glen Echo Park  
W/E KAN Volunteer Team Captain: **Nadji Kirby**  
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### W/E KAN #2 Sort Clothing for those in need at Interfaith Clothing Center!

Saturday, May 21 9:00AM - 12:00 NOON  
Sort, fold, and display donated clothing and housewares, take down empty hangers, restock shelves, and assist with clients. The Interfaith Clothing Center serves thousands of families each year by distributing clothing, household goods, and school supplies free of charge to low-income residents of Montgomery County.

Min Age: 14 (younger w/adult) Max # of Volunteers: 5  
Location: Gaithersburg  
Website: [www.communityministriymc.org](http://www.communityministriymc.org)  
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### W/E KAN # 3 Help Clean Up at the Audobon Society

Sunday, May 15  
In conjunction with the JYPI Serving Together program ([www.jypi.org](http://www.jypi.org)), volunteers will help clean up at the Audubon Society. Volunteers will also partner with a teen or young adult with special needs to perform community service together. The Audubon Society is an organization of people committed to protecting and restoring the natural heritage of Washington DC and the surrounding region. To accomplish our mission, the Audubon Naturalist Society raises awareness, fosters understanding, and promotes conservation of natural resources through enjoyment of nature, environmental education, and political, community and personal action.

Min. Age: 13 Max # of Volunteers: 10  
Location: Chevy Chase  
Website: [www.audobonnaturalist.org](http://www.audobonnaturalist.org)

W/E KAN Team Captain:

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### W/E KAN #4 Taste of Wheaton

Sunday, May 15 2:00PM - 5:00PM  
The Taste of Wheaton features food and exhibits from Wheaton's finest restaurants and businesses. Free children's rides and entertainment. Volunteers will keep orderly lines at children's rides, pass out site maps and giveaways to people attending the event. Volunteers may also be used as runners to assist restaurant booths.

Min. Age: 14 Max # of Volunteers: 10  
Location: Wheaton  
Website: [www.montgomerycountymd.gov](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov)

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### **Family Volunteer Weekend 2005!**

Mark this **Seasons of Service** weekend (May 7 & 8) of volunteering on your calendar!

A few of the projects we're planning include a stream clean-up, sprucing up a farm along the Underground Railroad, and celebrating Mother's Day with senior citizens.

Please contact the **Montgomery County Volunteer Center**

(240-777-2600 or [volunteer@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:volunteer@montgomerycountymd.gov))

for more information and to register your family for a project.

You can also visit our website [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteer](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteer)

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### **Agency Spotlight on Interfaith Clothing Centers**

The Interfaith Clothing Centers (ICC), programs of Community Ministry of Montgomery County, distribute donated clothing, household goods, school supplies, infant items, toys and children's books, free of charge, to low-income residents of Montgomery County. They are proud to provide the link between people in our community who have things they no longer need or want with people in the same community who are in desperate need of the same items. By providing some of the basic necessities free of charge ICC enables their clients to use their scarce financial resources for other pressing needs, including rent, food, transportation, and healthcare.

Thousands of families and individuals use these services. Coming from every corner of Montgomery County, clients are young and old, male and female, single and married, and span all races. They are working poor, homeless, disabled, recent immigrants, parolees, welfare recipients and seniors living on fixed incomes. Over one hundred congregations, social service organizations and governmental agencies refer these clients to the Interfaith Clothing Centers.

Thousands of individuals, businesses, schools, camps, service organizations and congregations donate time and goods, which makes the program possible.

ICC is seeking volunteers to sort, organize and display clothing, accept donations and assist clients. Short term and long-term volunteers, groups or individuals, hourly or daily commitments are welcome and appreciated. Teenagers may receive Student Service Learning credit.

ICC is seeking schools, businesses, congregations, service groups, etc., to sponsor drives of specific much-needed items (i.e. new or used children's books, diapers, new or used winter apparel, new socks and underwear, new school supplies, new toys, and new layette items for newborn babies).

Individual donations of gently used, or new, children's, women's and men's clothing and shoes, toys, games, children's books, dishes, flatware, pots and pans, sheets, towels, blankets, curtains, small appliances in working condition, hangers, and large shopping bags are greatly appreciated.

Interfaith has two locations, one in Rockville and one in Gaithersburg. Donations can be made at both of these locations on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 9am-2pm and by special appointment. Volunteers are needed at both locations on Monday from 8:30am-5pm, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8:30am-3:30pm.

To volunteer with Interfaith, see project #2 on the W/E KAN Calendar. you can also visit their website at [www.communityministriymc.org/uicc](http://www.communityministriymc.org/uicc). You can contact the Interfaith Clothing Center in Rockville at 301-424-3796 and the UpCounty Interfaith Clothing Center in Gaithersburg at 301-977-1267.